

(d) the up per time estimated to be taken to complete the remaining construction works?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES. (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) The work completed on the project by December, 1991 is as under:-

- Infrastructure works completed.
- All four Nos. Diversion tunnels 11 M. dia each completed.
- Excavation of all Four Head Race Tunnels 8.5 M dia each completed and lining works nearing completion.
- Approach adits to under ground Power House cavern completed./
- River diverted through Right Bank Diversion Tunnels.
- work on foundation of main dam completed.

(d) The entire Tehri Hydro Power Complex is envisaged to be commissioned during 1996-97, subject to availability of adequate financial resources.

New Air routes between Bombay and other States

4096. SHRI PRATAPRAO BHONSLE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce new air routes between Bombay

and other States during 1992-93;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRIMADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c). No firm decision has been taken on introduction of any new flight, due to capacity constraints.

Telugu Ganga Project

4097. SHRI N DENNIS: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Tamil Nadu has approached the World Bank for financial assistance for the implementation of Telugu Ganga Project; and

(b) if so, the details of assistance proposed to be provided by the World Bank?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). The Government of Tamil Nadu have not approached the World Bank for financial assistance for canal works connected with the Telugu Ganga Project. However, the World Bank has been approached for financial assistance towards Madras Transmission and Distribution System. This system envisages (i) improvements to city water supply and sewerage system to handle additional flow of water expected from Kishan river and (ii) improvements to environmental sanitation, etc. Both these components have been pre-appraised by the World Bank at a total cost of Rs. 1105.2 crores.

Expansion Programme by Air India

4098. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL:

SHRI M.V. CHANDRA
SEKHARA MURTHY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA
PRASAD:

Doordarshan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Air India to bring structural changes in its organisation and fleet planning and management;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon;

(c) whether the Air India is facing stiff international competition; and

(d) if so, the steps being contemplated to tide over the situation?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHURAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d). Air India has decided to have a more modern and younger fleet in the coming year. However, it is difficult to give an estimate of the likely expenditure at this stage.

Air India is also in the process of finalising a corporate strategy plan in order to meet the competitive challenges. The strategy involves upgrading of areas of consumer contact, provision of comprehensive package of services to the consumer and improving the efficiency of operation.

Enhanced Advertisement Tariff of Doordarshan

4099. SHRI RABI RAY:
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to enhance the advertisement tariff of

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir.

(b) does not arise.

OCB 283 Technology in Rural Areas

4100. SHRI PRAFUL PATEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the French Company, Alcatel, has agreed to transfer its latest OCB 283 technology to public sector,

(b) if so, whether this technology has reached to the ITI;

(c) whether this technology has helped the Department of Telecom. in regard to expansion of Telecom. facilities in the country particularly in rural areas; and

(d) if so, the details of rural areas of the country which have been brought under this scheme?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No; yet, Sir

(c) and (d). In view of (b), do not arise.

[Translation]

Construction of Resort Exclusively for Foreigners

4101. SHRI MUMTAZ ANSARI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state: